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# SEED ANNUAL



## SEED GROWERS

—of the—

### *Northwest*

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## PUGET SOUND SEED CO.

### RETAIL SEED GROWERS

Skagit County - La Conner, Wash.

## SEEDTALK

In selecting the varieties of Vegetable and Flower Seeds in this catalogue we have tried to secure only the seeds that give the best results in the Northwest. In undertaking this we have given preference to Northwest grown seeds which are superior to those grown elsewhere. Why spend our money in Europe when our farmers can grow seeds that are stronger in vitality and higher in percentage of germination than those grown in any other part of the world. We grow most of our own seeds.

In eliminating expensive "cuts" and exaggerated descriptions makes it possible for us to offer the prices that appear in the following pages. This and the volume of business are the only things that will enable us to keep the prices down and even lower them as we expect to do.

All Seeds and Plants are delivered to your door, postpaid, except where noted. These exceptions will apply to Grass Seed, Grains and Field Corn, etc., and on orders from Alaska and the Dominion of Canada, and on orders from beyond the 5th zone an extra charge of 5c per pound will be added.

Accompany all orders with a Money Order, Bank Draft or your Personal Check. See that you have given your name and address in full, and plainly.

## ASPARAGUS

Packet 5c; Ounce 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 35c

**PALMETTO**—This is the best of the green sort.

**COLUMBIAN MAMMOTH**—The best white for home garden.

## BEANS

Packet 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$ -lb. 20c; lb. 30c

### BUSH

**PENCIL POD BLACK WAX**—The very best of the early wax beans.

**NEW PUGET SOUND WAX**—The heaviest producers in the wax varieties.

**DAVIS WHITE WAX**—An excellent dry bean for winter use.

**IMPROVED GOLDEN WAX**—Large podded and good yielder.

**BURPEE'S STRINGLESS GREEN POD**—A winner in the stringless sort.

**SWEDISH BROWN BEAN**—An excellent dry bean.

### POLE

**OLD HOMESTEAD**—Most used pole bean for snaps.

**KENTUCKY WONDER WAX**—Similar to Old Homestead, wax podded.

**LAZY WIFE**—Dark green, stringless.

## BEETS

Pkt. 5c; Oz. 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 25c; lb. 80c

**EXTRA EARLY EGYPTIAN**—The earliest variety; fine for table use.

**EARLY BLOOD TURNIP**—A standard medium early variety.

**DETROIT DARK RED**—A favorite of all the beets; rich dark red.

## SUGAR BEETS

Pkt. 5c; Oz. 10c; 1/4-lb. 20c; lb. 75c

**KLINE WANZLEBEN**—Used both for stock feeding and sugar.

## MANGEL OR COW BEETS

Ounce 5c; 1/2-lb. 20c; lb. 35c

**DANISH SLUDSTRUP**—Rich in food value and grows well above the ground.

**GIANT HALF SUGAR**—Good feeder and very nutritious. Easy pulled.

**MAMMOTH LONG RED**—Grows very large; a little coarser than others.

**GATE POST OR GIANT YELLOW**—Similar to the Sludstrup and pulls easy.

**GOLDEN YELLOW TANKARD**—A smooth yellow flesh Mangel.

## SWISS CHARD

Pkt. 5c; Oz. 10c; 1/4-lb. 25c; lb. 80c

**LUCULLUS**—Superior to beets for "greens." Fine for poultry feed.

## BRUSSELS SPROUTS

Packet 5c; Ounce 20c

**TALL FRENCH**—The best kind for the Northwest; matures in late fall and winter.

## BROCCOLI

Packet 5c; Ounce 50c

**LARGE WHITE FRENCH**—Winter cauliflower but hardier.

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**SEEDTALK**—An ounce of Carrot seed, 10c, contains three or more 5c packages. If more than one package is desired, buy an ounce and save a nickle or more.

## CABBAGE

Pkt. 5c; Oz. 20c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 60c; lb. \$2.00  
(except where noted)

**EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD**—Earliest and best for early market.

**CHARLESTON WAKEFIELD**—A little later and larger than the above.

**EARLY WINNINGSTADT**—A good solid pointed head.

**COPENHAGEN MARKET**—Earliest round head sort. Ounce 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 80c.

**HENDERSON'S EARLY SUMMER**—Heads flattened; keeps well after heading.

**PREMIUM LATE FLAT DUTCH**—A sure header; large and very popular sort.

**DANISH BALLHEAD**—Late; hard heads; best for sauerkraut. Ounce 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 80c.

**RED DRUMHEAD**—The kind that is used for pickling.

**MARROW CABBAGE**—Used largely for stock and poultry feeding.

## CARROTS

Pkt. 5c; Oz. 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 25c; lb. 80c

**EARLY SCARLET HORN**—Excellent for early planting.

**CHANTENAY**—Medium early; half long variety.

**OXHEART OR GUERANDE**—Very fine grained and sweet; short.

**DANVER HALF LONG**—The most popular of all varieties.

**MASTODON OR IMPROVED SHORT WHITE**—Large white; best for stock feeding.

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**SEEDTALK**—Ask your dealer about our seeds. If he does not carry them, he ought to.

## CELERY

Packet 5c

**WHITE PLUME**—A handsome and very early sort. Ounce 25c.

**GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING**—This is the standard celery for early use. Ounce 45c.

**EASY BLANCHING**—Easiest and quickest to blanch; popular because of its disease-resisting qualities. Ounce 50c.

**CELERIAC**—Root used for flavoring soups and stews. Ounce 25c.

## CORN, SWEET

Packet 10c; 1/2-lb. 20c; lb. 30c

**GOLDEN GIANT**—Decidedly new, larger and better flavor than the Bantam.

**GOLDEN BANTAM**—One of the most delicious of the older sorts.

**WHITE CORY**—Early white corn, good quality.

**BLACK MEXICAN**—Remarkably white if cooked when young; fine flavored.

**STOWELL'S EVERGREEN**—A fine late corn; the ears are very white.

## CORN, FIELD

1 lb. 15c; 10 lbs. \$1.20, postpaid

**MINNESOTA 13**—Early yellow dent corn; a heavy cropper.

**PRIDE OF THE NORTH**—A fine variety; recommended for the silo.

## CAULIFLOWER

Packet 10c; 1/4 Oz. 60c; 1 Oz. \$1.95

**SELECTED EARLY SNOWBALL**—The most famous of all varieties.

## CUCUMBER

Packet 5c; Ounce 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 40c

**EARLY WHITE SPINE**—One of the best for early use.

**IMPROVED LONG GREEN**—The fruit is long, firm and crisp; big producer.

**BOSTON PICKLING**—The best for pickling.

**JAPANESE CLIMBING**—Fruit grows clear of ground; fine flavored.

## CORN SALAD

Packet 5c; Ounce 20c

**LARGE HEADED**—A substitute for Lettuce or Spinach in fall or winter.

## CHICORY

Packet 5c; Ounce 25c

**LARGE ROOTED**—Used as a substitute for coffee.

## DILL

Packet 5c; Ounce 15c

Used largely for flavoring Dill Pickles. See Herbs.

## KALE

Packet 5c; Ounce 15c

**TALL GREEN SCOTCH**—Finely curled leaves; dark shade of green. Ounce 15c.

**DWARF CURLED**—Finely curled; low growing and will stand freezing. Ounce 15c.

**THOUSAND HEAD OR COW KALE**—Fine for stock and poultry. Ounce 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 20c.

**MARROW KALE**—(See Marrow Cabbage). Ounce 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 50c.

## LETTUCE

Packet 5c

**HANSON HEAD**—The old standard head; sweet and crisp. Ounce 10c.

**NEW YORK, WONDERFUL OR LOS ANGELES**—A very fine new sort; by far the best head lettuce ever produced. Ounce 20c

**BIG BOSTON**—A fine head lettuce; edge slightly tinged with brown; hardy. Oz. 10c

**EARLY PRIZE HEAD BROWN**—Loose or non-heading sort. Ounce 10c.

## MUSK MELON

Packet 5c; Ounce 15c

**IMPROVED ROCKY FORD**—Flesh is light green and deep; very solid.

**BURRELL'S GEM**—Flesh salmon colored; delicious juicy flavor.

## WATER MELON

Packet 5c; Ounce 15c

**TOM WATSON**—One of the sweetest melons. Good for near market.

## KOHL-RABI

Packet 5c; Ounce 25c

**EARLY WHITE VIENNA**—Turnip-like bulb growing above ground, having combination of turnip and cabbage flavor.

**PURPLE VIENNA**—Same as above, with the exception of the color.

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**SEEDTALK**—Note the prices on our seeds by the ounce and by the pound, and compare with others.

## ONIONS

Pkt. 5c; Oz. 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 50c; lb. \$1.50  
(except where noted)

**YELLOW GLOBE DANVER**—A very popular variety; fine for the market.

**PRIZETAKER**—Extra large and mild in flavor.

**AUSTRALIAN BROWN**—An early onion of medium size.

**RED WEATHERSFIELD**—Another standard variety; grows very large.

**SILVERSKIN OR WHITE PORTUGAL**—Large white and mild in flavor. Ounce 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 80c.; lb. \$3.00.

## ONION SETS

20c. lb., postpaid

**YELLOW BOTTOMS**—Will produce green onions in a short time.

**MULTIPLIERS OR SHALLOTS**—One set produces a cluster of onions.

## PARSNIPS

Packet 5c; Ounce 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 25c

**HOLLOW CROWN**—The best of all parsnips; a heavy producer.

## GARDEN PEAS

Packet 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$ -lb. 20c; lb. 30c  
(except where noted)

**ALASKA**—The earliest of all the peas; round seeded.  $\frac{1}{2}$ -lb. 15c; lb. 25c.

**AMERICAN WONDER**—The earliest of the wrinkled sorts; dwarf.

**LAXTONIAN**—Later than the above but finer in quality.

**THOS. LAXTON**—Very similar to the Gradus pea; fine quality.

**GRADUS**—Large podded; a leading sort for the early market.

**DWARF TELEPHONE**—Late dwarf; a very heavy producer.

**CHAMPION OF ENGLAND**—A good pea for general crop; fine flavor.

**IMPROVED STRATEGEM**—Late; medium vines, producing immense pods.

**TALL TELEPHONE**—Yields heavily; one of the best of the late croppers.

## PEPPERS

Packet 5c; Ounce 60c

**CRIMSON GIANT**—Extra large, beautiful crimson when ripe; fine for stuffing.

**LARGE OR BULL NOSE**—Fruit large, thick and mild, and fine quality.

## PARSLEY

Packet 5c; Ounce 10c

**DARK MOSS CURLED, CHAMPION**—Dark green moss-like leaves.

**PLAIN LEAVED**—Leaves flat, deeply cut but not curled; good for drying.

## PUMPKIN

Packet 5c; Ounce 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 30c

**SMALL SUGAR OR PIE**—Small but very fine flavored; used for pies.

**WINTER LUXURY**—A decided improvement in the pumpkin family; larger than the above and contains more sugar.

**CONNECTICUT FIELD**—The common field. Some prefer it for pies.

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**SEEDTALK**—Any twenty-five, 5c packages of seeds, your own selection, for \$1.00.

## RADISH

Packet 5c; Ounce 10c; 1/4-lb. 30c

**FRENCH BREAKFAST**—White tipped, oblong shape, extra early.

**EARLY SCARLET TURNIP WHITE TIPPED**—One of the most popular early kinds.

**CRIMSON GIANT**—Popular with the market gardeners.

**CHARTIER, IMPROVED**—One of the best long radishes.

**HALF LONG DEEP SCARLET**—A good variety for forcing; flesh white.

**WHITE ICICLE**—A splendid early long white radish.

## SALSIFY

Packet 5c; Ounce 15c

**MAMMOTH SANDWICH ISLAND**—The best of all sorts; cultivate as carrots.

## SQUASH

Packet 5c; Ounce 15c; 1/4-lb. 45c

**DELICIOUS**—The finest grained and sweetest squash in cultivation.

**LARGE GREEN HUBBARD**—Not as fine, but heavier yielder than the above.

**GOLDEN HUBBARD**—Similar to the Green Hubbard, but of a golden color.

**WHITE BUSH SCALLOP**—An early summer squash, bush in habit.

**YELLOW CROOKNECK**—A popular early bush variety; deep yellow.

**VEGETABLE MARROW**—Very popular, eaten before full grown.

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**SEEDTALK**—When more than one packet is wanted, buy an ounce of seed. An ounce contains three or more packets.

## SPINACH

Packet 5c; Ounce 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 20c

**BLOOMSDALE SAVOY**—A very fine flavored spinach; seeds early.

**IMPROVED THICK LEAF**—Heavy, dark green, crisp leaved.

**BROAD LEAVED FLANDERS**—A strong growing variety with thick leaves.

## SUNFLOWER

Packet 5c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 10c; lb. 20c

**MAMMOTH RUSSIAN**—Flowers and seed large; valuable for poultry food.

## TOBACCO

Packet 5c; Ounce 50c

**CONNECTICUT SEED LEAF**—One of the earliest maturing sorts for the Northwest.

## TOMATO

Packet 5c; Ounce 30c

**BONNIE BEST**—Very productive; a favorite for the Sound.

**EARLIANA**—Old standard sort; yields early and heavily.

## TURNIPS AND RUTABAGAS

Packet 5c; Ounce 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 30c  
(except where noted)

**EARLY MILAN**—The earliest of the turnips.  
Ounce 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 50c.

**EARLY SNOWBALL**—A small white globe variety; sweet.

**EARLY FLAT DUTCH**—Early white turnip; popular for the table.

**WHITE EGG**—Quick growing turnip; pure white.

**PURPLE TOP STRAP LEAF**—A general favorite with all.

**AMERICAN PURPLE TOP RUTABAGA**—Large and very productive.

**BANGHELM RUTABAGA**—Very large; yellow with purple top.

## LAWN GRASS

**LAWN CRASS**—Fine mixture, 35c per lb.

**SHADY NOOK**—Special mixture for all purposes, 45c per lb.

## HERBS

Packet 5c

Dill

Horehound

Lavender

Rosemary

Sage

Sweet Marjoram

Summer Savory

Thyme

## PLANTS, VEGETABLE

**ASPARAGUS PLANTS**—PALMETTO—2-year-old plants, 35c doz.; \$1.85 per 100.

**EARLY CABBAGE**—Early Jersey Wakefield and Early Winningstadt, 15c per doz.; \$1.00 per 100.

**LATE CABBAGE**—Late Flat Dutch, Danish Ballhead and Red Drumhead, 15c per doz.; \$1.00 per 100.

**CAULIFLOWER**—Early Snowball, 20c per doz.; \$1.25 per 100.

**CELERY**—White Plume and Golden Self Elanching, 20c per doz.; \$1.25 per 100.

**BRUSSELS SPROUTS**—15c per doz.; \$1.00 per 100.

**KALE**—Thousand Head and Dwarf Curled, 15c per doz.; \$1.00 per 100.

**TOMATO**—Bonnie Best and Earliana, 40c per doz.; \$2.50 per 100.

## PLANTS, FLOWER

**ASTERS**—Vick's Earliest, Snowdrift, Lavender, Pink, Rose and Purple. The plant grows erect with slender, wiry stems; crowned with beautiful feathery flowers; heightened in many cases by the ragged and irregular character of the inner petals. 45c doz.; \$3.00 per 100, postpaid.

**PAGE ASTERS**—Rochester, Mikado and Crego types; the flowers are a great shaggy bloom with a mass of long, narrow and twisted petals; white, shell pink, rose, lavender, purple and red. 45c per doz.; \$3.00 per 100 plants, postpaid.

**AREIS ALPINA, ROCK CRESS**—White perennial; 50c per doz.

**COREOPSIS**—One of the best hardy perennials; 50c per doz.

**COSMOS**—Early flowering, mixed; 50c per doz.

**LOBELIA**—Dwarf and trailing, blue gem; 50c per doz.

**MARIGOLD**—Golden or Lemon Ball, or mixed; 40c per doz.

**MARIGOLD**—Dwarf yellow; 40c per doz.

**PANSY**—A mixture of Giant Frilled, Giant Flowering and Mastodon; the best that can be obtained; 50c per doz.

**SNAPDRAGON**—Giant flowering, mixed; 50c per doz.

**SALVIA**—Bright scarlet; 50c per doz.

**ZINNIA**—Mixed; very choice; 50c per doz.

**CERANIUM** and other flowering plants; prices on application.

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**SEEDTALK**—Only such varieties of seed that are suitable to the Northwest are listed in this Annual.

**SEEDTALK**—Send us about ten names of your neighbors that are interested in garden seed and we will mail you five 5c packets free.

## FLOWER SEEDS

Pkt. 5c; 3 for 10c, except Pansies.  
Asters and Sweet Peas, 10c;  
3 for 25c

**ALLYSUM**—White; used for edging.

**ASTERS**—Vick's Earliest; white, lavender, pink, rose and purple; 10c packet.

**ASTERS, MIXED**—Vick's Earliest; all colors, mixed; 5c packet.

**ASTERS**—Rochester, Mikado and Crego types; white, shell pink, rose, lavender, purple and red; see Aster plants, page 12; 10c packet.

**ASTERS, MIXED**—Mikado-Crego types; all colors, mixed; 5c packet.

**ARBIS ALPINA**—“Rock Cress.” White perennial. Border plant.

**BABY'S BREATH**—(“Gypsophilia”). White annual. Fine for bouquets.

**CANDYTUFT**—A favorite for beds and borders,

**COSMOS**—Early mammoth flowering, mixed colors.

**CALLIOOPSIS**—Showy annual, producing flowers through summer and autumn.

**EVERLASTINGS**—Mixed, ranging from white to deep red; used for winter bouquets.

**HOLLYHOCK**—Planted in groups, makes splendid showing.

**LARKSPUR**—Attractive annual, with spikes of large double flowers.

**LOBELIA**—Blue Gem; for borders, also trailing sorts.

**MARIGOLD**—Tall double, African-Lemon or Golden Ball or mixed.

**MARIGOLD**—Dwarf sort, with small bright orange-yellow flowers; fine for massing.

**MIGNONETTE**—Popular for its delightful fragrance. Plant at intervals.

**NASTURTIUMS**—Dwarf or tall; grows rapidly in beds or window boxes.

**PANSIES**—Mixed, Giant frilled, Giant flowering Mastodon; 10c packet.

**POPPIES**—California, mixed.

**POPPIES**—Annual Shirley, mixed.

**POPPIES**—Perennial, Oriental; deep crimson flowers with black blotches on each petal.

**SHASTA DAISY**—A popular evergreen perennial.

**SALPIGLOSSIS**—A very showy annual; richly colored funnel shaped flowers on long graceful stems.

**VERBENA**—Large clusters of showy flowers; borne in succession until frosts.

**WALL FLOWERS**—One of the old favorites. For early flowers plant seed inside the house and transplant.

**ZINNIAS**—One of the most popular of the old-fashioned flowers, now much improved.

**BURPEE'S SPENCER SWEET PEAS**—We carry Burpee's strain only, and consider they are the best authority on sweet peas, and we have selected a most complete list of color and shades.

**WHITE SPENCER**—Pure white; fine Spencer form; beautifully waved.

**COUNTESS HINTON**—Flowers open bluish but change to white.

**CARESS**—One of the very new Spencers. Choice; light pink.

**PICTURE**—Another of the new creations; finest salmon-pink.

**COUNTESS SPENCER**—Clear, rich soft pink; deeper on the edge.

**AGRICOLA**—Pinkish heliotrope, with wire edge or dark heliotrope.

**ASTA OHN**—Large waved flower of soft lavender suffused with mauve.

**ORCHID**—One of the best lavender sorts. Extra large size.

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**BARBARA**—Superb salmon colored; large flowered. Requires shading against strong sun.

**ILLUMINATOR**—Glowing cerise with an indication of bright orange.

**DOBBIE'S CREAM**—A strong grower, producing beautiful primrose flowers.

**MRS. TOM JONES**—This novelty is a first-class blue, delphinium blue.

**ROYAL PURPLE**—The color is a rich warm purple. The young flowers have a slightly softened tone.

**SCARLET EMPEROR**—Brilliant deep scarlet; large size.

**THE PRESIDENT**—A wonderful brilliant glowing scarlet; new.

**KING MANUAL**—A large deep maroon; exceptional merit.

**SPARKLER**—Bicolored; the color is a charming combination of rose and cream.

**MRS. W. J. UNWIN**—The brightest and best of the flaked varieties; white ground, flaked with rich orange-scarlet.

**SUPERIOR MIXTURES OF SPENCERS**—  
Packet 10c; ounce 25c.

**GRANDIFLORA MIXTURE**—All colors. Packet 5c; ounce 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$ -lb. 25c.

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**SEEDTALK**—Your own selection, any twelve 10c packages from our Annual for \$1.00.

**SEEDTALK**—Don't overlook the prices of Mangel seed at 35c per pound in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd zones; other zones 5c per pound extra.

**SEEDTALK**—Burpee's Sweet Peas are the best. Do not fail to look over our list.

**SEEDTALK**—Do not fail to see what we have to offer in Burpee's Spencer Sweet Peas, page —

**SEEDTALK**—Northwest grown seeds give better results in every way.

## GLADIOLI

Gladioli rank among the best of the cut flowers and are growing rapidly in popularity.

**AMERICA**—Soft lavender pink, extra large flowers on strong spikes.

**AUGUSTA**—Pale white, faintly tinged with lavender.

**HALLEY**—A delightfully pretty, delicate rose with white blotches.

**MRS. FRANCIS KING**—Long spikes of bright scarlet flowers.

**YELLOW KING**—A delicate creamy yellow flower on long spikes.

**MIXED**—All colors. Single bulb 8c; doz. 50c.

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**SEEDTALK**—We are prepared to give you good service at any time, but would suggest that you order early.

## **NOTE**

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There are many causes that keep seed from coming up. This may be due from some of the following reasons: Covering too deep or not deep enough, too much or not enough moisture, ground too cold or the surface of the ground baked by the hot sun. Under these conditions we can give no warranty, expressed or implied, as to the description, quality, productiveness or any other matter of any seeds or plants that we have sent out, and will not be in any way responsible for the crop. If the purchaser does not accept the goods on these terms, they must be returned at once.

P. S. S. CO.

